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PERSONAL ITEMS.

The anti-prohibitionists of Boston have nominated G. W. Messenger for mayor.

Charles R. Lord, Judge of the Circuit Court, died in St. Louis Saturday afternoon.

Charles Keats got \$30,000 for his new record, on which he is now hard at work.

Brevet Maj. Gen. T. H. Bates, retired, has been detailed for duty as Recorder of the St. Louis Circuit Court.

Caleb Cushing has gone to Baltimore to appear for General Butler in the case against the latter in that city.

Mothers never see any homey babies in their own families. The "perfect frigate" are among the neighbors or elsewhere.

Charles C. Green, of Louisville, has been restored to his former position of Mail Agent on the Louisville and Henderson route.

A wooden-headed donkey named Woodhead, in Auburn, Maine, declines to serve as representative because he thinks Democratic votes elected him.

Thomas Armstrong, of the firm of Armstrong & Co., of Baltimore, is one of the most active merchants of Baltimore, died on Sunday, aged 72 years.

Among the first bills that will be brought into the Italian Chamber are several bills for the improvement of the railway system.

A negro woman was arrested near Meridian, Mississippi, a few days ago, for attempting to seduce a white man.

Mahogany is so abundant in Nevada that it is being used for building material.

Benjamin F. Oakley, sentenced to ten years in the State Prison, died on Sunday, at his home in St. Louis.

The report from the East of the Dublin Tric has been brought out against McGee for money due him as the trainer of the later for the Cuban fight, is authorized.

A number of attacks of Lake's circus were badly "fazed out" at Puchonath, Ark., the other day, by some indignant countrymen, who had been swindled out of several hundred dollars by them.

The principal of a Missouri institution for sheltering homeless children and getting them adopted out to advantage, says he has great difficulty in getting the children who do not possess blue eyes.

Senator Hendricks expressed full confidence in the prospect of his reelection to the United States Senate by the Legislature of Indiana, asserting that a conservative Republican will be elected.

The trial of Dr. Cutler and Charles Medley, two negroes, charged with the murder of Captain Miner, at Annapolis, Md., was continued Saturday.

George J. Wylie and R. M. Deary, Senators-elect from the Russian Empire, were arrested at St. Louis, Saturday, charged by Lange, the President, with conspiring to overthrow the Government.

C. H. Camp, enigmatic agent at Columbus, Ohio, reports the arrival of 495 emigrants from the Russian Empire, who were landed at Cleveland, Saturday.

By Mr. Nelson: A bill to repeal an act entitled, an act to provide for the regulation, supervision and maintenance of the public lands.

By Mr. Rogers: An act to amend an act passed March 12, 1868, making the laws of evidence uniform in the Federal and State Courts.

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THE SURRETT CASE.

Starling and Conclusive Evidence of Mrs. Surratt's Innocence.

The Crime of the Century.

How a Guiltless Woman was Sacrificed to the Rage of Radicalism.

Innocence of Other Prisoners.

Arnold, Dr. Mudd, Spangler, O'Laughlin and John H. Surratt Exonerated.

Demand for their Release.

The Conspiracy, the Assassination and the Sequel Reviewed.

Correspondence of the New York World.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 10.--If governments were intended to be superior to the sway of human passions, and to administer justice, no government on the earth stands in such need of warning as that which has been the United States. Since Lincoln's death, in all ages and countries, as in ours, of the prevalence of social turbulence and of the prevalence of the passions of the people, the Government has been in the hands of a few men, who have been the victims of the passions of the people.

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